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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Prior to examining the attached patent application on the merits, kindly cancel claims 1-18, add new claims 19-26, and amend the specification as indicated below. This amendment is submitted in the Revised Format mentioned in the *Official Gazette* on February 25, 2003 and modified on June 30, 2003.

IN THE WRITTEN DESCRIPTION

On page 1 line 2, enter the following new heading and paragraph:

CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application No. 10/051,058, now allowed, which claims priority from Provisional Patent Application No. 60/263,708, filed January 25, 2001. The disclosures of these documents are incorporated herein in their entireties.

Replace the paragraph beginning on page 5 line 10 with:

A clamping member 52 is pivotably mounted about a pin 54 retained between opposing supports 56, 58. Clamping member 52 includes a forward portion 60 with a resilient front 62. Preferably, resilient front 62 is formed of a slightly deformable rubber or other polymer that can be compressed upon contact with the back face of putter 41. During use of fixture 30, clamping member 52 is pivoted about pin 54 such that the leading face 64 of clamping member 52 is generally parallel to surface 42 and the central alignment axis ~~[[66]]~~ 63 of clamping member 52 is generally perpendicular to surface 42. A clamping screw 66 is threadably associated with a hole 68 in block 70, and clamping screw 66 may be used to exert a force against back face 72 of clamping member 52 so that the strike face of putter 41 is firmly held against surface 42 of abutment 38. To facilitate turning of clamping screw 66, a hex head 74 or other means, such as a lever, may be provided.